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January 12, 1983

Mr. Harvey Cahoon
Interstate Brick
9210 South 5200 West
West Jordan, Utah 84084

RE: Black Mine
ACT/049/003
Powell Mine AC
ACT/049/004
Long Canyon Mine
ACT/049/007 ✓
Utah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Cahoon:

The Division is in receipt of a letter to you from Mr. John Blake, Division of State Lands and Forestry, dated January 11, 1983 regarding the posting of reclamation sureties for the above operations involving State mineral leases.

We realize that Interstate Brick has been actively operating these mines without a normal Division of Oil, Gas and Mining approval due to our increased workload, primarily in the coal mining area. However, we do not view this unfortunate situation as one of immediate concern, particularly since Interstate Brick's activities at these operations are also regulated by the Division of State Lands and Forestry and the terms and conditions of the lease agreements.

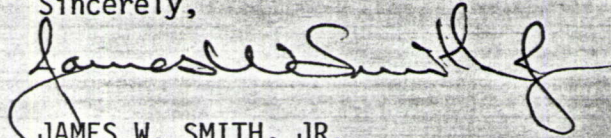
We are in full support of Mr. Blake's request that Interstate Brick post the required reclamation surety as stated in his January 11, 1983 letter. These sureties will be considered satisfactory by the Division until we can finalize the permit approval process, at which time they may possibly be revised to more accurately reflect actual site conditions.

As Mr. Blake discussed, even though Interstate Brick has a reclamation contract with the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining for the Long Canyon Mine, subsequent action by the Division of State Lands and Forestry requires that sureties for State mineral leases be in a form other than a contract. Please be assured that duplicate bonding by both agencies will not occur. Sureties for operations involving principally State leases will only be held by the Division of State Lands and Forestry.

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We will pursue scheduling the review of Interstate Brick's outstanding permit applications as soon as possible in order that we may issue final approval to all of Interstate's operations. Your past cooperation and your continued patience in this matter are certainly appreciated. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "James W. Smith, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

JAMES W. SMITH, JR.
COORDINATOR OF MINED
LAND DEVELOPMENT

JWS/mn

cc: John Blake, State Lands